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PENNSYLVANIA

Northampton (48)

BETHLEHEM

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STATE

COUNTY

TOWN or VICINITY

WIDOWS' HOUSE (PA-1155)

STRUCTURE

53 W. Church St. Coursed ashlar, 78' (nine-
bay front) x 44', two stories with double
attic, gable roof with gabled dormers on
lower roof and shed dormers on upper roof,
six paired chimneys, brick arches over win-
dows; central hall plan. Built 1768 to
house widows of Moravian missionaries; Carl
Schulze in charge of construction; Andrew

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Schober and Martin Schenck, master masons; Tobias Hirte, master carpenter; W end originally had jerkinhead roof (removed); 20' section added to E 1794-95; annex (40'x80') built to the S in 1889 (connected to original structure by a wooden wing); now apartments. 1 photo (1937).
NR (located in Bethlehem Historic District).

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